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SUBJECT: CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORTS: SEMIANNUAL REPORT OF  
LOST/STOLEN PASSPORTS

REF: A-628, JANUARY 20, 1972

1. DURING PERIOD JULY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 1973 A TOTAL OF  
28 PASSPORTS WERE REPORTED LOST OR STOLEN. BREAKDOWN  
FOLLOWS:

- (A) LOST OR STOLEN IN TRAIN OR BUS - 8.
- (B) LOST OR STOLEN IN STREET - 6.
- (C) STOLEN FROM HANDBAG, POCKET OR LUGGAGE - 6
- (D) STOLEN FROM VEHICLE - 3
- (E) MISPLACED - 5
- (F) INCLUDED IN ABOVE FIGURES WERE 4 PASSPORTS STOLEN IN  
COLOMBIA BUT REPORTED IN QUITO.

2. CARELESSNESS WAS PRIMARY CAUSE IN 80-90 PERCENT OF CASES.  
ESTIMATE 15-21 OF 28 LOSSES WERE THEFTS.

3. BREAKDOWN BY AGE: UNDER 8:4, 18-24 : 13, 26-34 : 7,  
42-76 : 4.

4. NONE

5. AS NOTED IN LAST REPORT, ALTHOUGH HIGH PERCENTAGE OF  
LOST/STOLEN PASSPORTS BELONGED TO HIRSUTE YOUNG PEOPLE,  
LOSSES BELIEVED TO BE DUE PRIMARILY TO CARELESSNESS; NO  
EVIDENCE OF FRAUDULENT ACTIVITIES REGARDING PASSPORTS  
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